



# Bay Harbor Islands

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It is hard to believe, but a return to school is just around the corner. Whether you have school-aged children or not, the start of the school year means changes are coming to our Town. This Summer has flown by, and I urge everyone to take advantage of the remaining days before school begins to spend time with their friends and family.

Once the school session begins, there will be a very large number of children walking and riding their bicycles to Ruth K. Broad K-8. Please take extra precautions when driving, as we all need to keep our children safe. No text or phone call is worth a child's life. We have exceptional crossing guards, but they are only effective if you are looking at them and not at a phone. Therefore, please plan a little extra time when traveling close to the start or finish of the school day.

This school year will also mark the return to in-person classes for many students. Please remember, we are still dealing with a pandemic, and even though schools and businesses have reopened, now is not the time to let your guard down. Simple preventative measures, in combination with vaccination, remain the best protection for you, your family and friends. Speaking of the return to in-person schooling, our community center will again be offering multiple back to school programs. Please see the Town website or visit the community center for more information.

There is no denying this Summer has brought us tragedy, challenge and also a spark of hope. We have come to the aid of our neighbors, faced the adversity of the pandemic, and have started to regain our pre-COVID-19 lives. All of our residents should be proud of how we have risen to the task, and demonstrate confidence that we can continue to move forward together as one community.



## News From Our Town Engineer

# LET THERE BE LIGHTS ... IN THE PARKS OF BAY HARBOR ISLANDS

As part of the Town's Parks Improvements, solar powered lights will be installed in four of Bay Harbor Islands' parks. During the month of June, the Bay Harbor Islands Town Council approved a contract with Imperial Electrical, Inc. for the performance of this work. The Town parks that will receive the new solar powered lights are:

- West Island – Tot Lot and 92nd Street Park.
- East Island – 95th Street and Officer Scott Winters Park on 98th Street.

The contractor and the solar lighting vendor have provided the Town with the preliminary photometric plans and are now working on the design to determine the adequate location of the light poles. High efficiency LED light will be used.

This project aims to improve the security of our residents using the facilities. We look forward to seeing this great new feature implemented.



*This image shows the photometric plan of the night lighting for the 95th Street.*

## Town Seeks Volunteers to Serve on Committees and Board

### PLANNING & ZONING BOARD

The Planning & Zoning Board is responsible for the review of new construction, exterior renovations, additions, plan revisions, etc. Up to five of the members shall be presently employed full time or were employed full time in the field of engineering, architecture, land use and zoning law, city planning, construction, or any other field which substantially relates to the planning and development of real estate. The professional members are not required to be residents of Bay Harbor Islands. The two remaining members shall be residents of the Town for a minimum of one year and they are not required to possess any professional license or professional designation. The Board meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month.

### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Committee meets quarterly or as deemed necessary. The committee members provide recommendations and feedback to the Town Council regarding current/future park facilities and recreational programs.

### SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCY COMMITTEE

This committee that will address topics related to sustainability, resiliency and environmental impacts to the Town.

### CHARTER AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

The Charter and Ordinance Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the Town Council and recommends any amendments necessary to reform or update the Town Charter and Code. Providing, however, that any member of the Charter Review Committee may present an alternative recommendation regarding any specific amendment. Committee Members shall be residents and electors of the Town. Each member shall have an interest in, or experience relating to, the Town Charter, Town Code or governmental procedures and processes.

*If you are interested in volunteering to serve on a committee and/or the Planning & Zoning Board, please email a resume and letter of interest to the Town Clerk Alba L. Chang at [achang@bayharborislands-fl.gov](mailto:achang@bayharborislands-fl.gov)*





# Back to School Do's & Don'ts From Parking Enforcement

The first day of school at Ruth Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center is Monday, August 23, 2021 and Parking Enforcement is reminding parents and guardians about the right and wrong things you should do to make student drop off and pick up go smoothly this school year.

DO park and walk your child to or from the school entrance.

DON'T leave your car unattended, even for just a few minutes, in private or RESERVED spaces, in the carpool lane or park anywhere illegally while walking with your child. Persons parking illegally will be cited.

DO park in the Municipal Parking Garage or, if the Garage is full, park in the 95th Street lot just east of the 95th Street Plaza. Parking is free at both locations on weekdays during school zone times, 7:30-8:45 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m., except Wednesday afternoons when it's free from 1:30-2:30 p.m.

DON'T obstruct traffic when dropping off or picking up your child. There is no stopping, standing or parking anywhere on 95th street during school zone hours and never block access to or from the Fire Station. This area must remain clear to allow the Fire Department to respond to emergencies.

DO follow the traffic pattern that directs drivers who choose not to park in the garage or lot to the designated drop off and pick up point.

DON'T jaywalk when walking to and from school with your child. Children will learn from your example.

DO cross at the corner of the street and remind your children to do the same.

DO remind your children that they must walk their bikes when using crosswalks and to listen to the crossing guards as they are there to keep them safe. Crossing guards will be present at every major intersection for this purpose.

Do remind your children that safety is our biggest concern so please: no skateboards, bicycles, running or electric scooters are allowed in the Municipal Parking Garage.

DO enjoy the rest of the summer and have a super start to the new school year!



## Part-time Crossing Guards Needed



There are immediate openings for dedicated individuals to join our team. Serve the community by protecting the children and adults as they walk to and from school and during special events. The pay is \$14 per hour, with free parking and free toll pass plan as a benefit of employment. For the complete details on this and other current job opportunities with the Town, or to download an application, go to [tinyurl.com/bhi-jobs](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-jobs).





**WE'RE HIRING**


**Paid Marketing Intern**

**APPLY NOW**

The Town of Bay Harbor Islands is currently seeking an energetic and creative intern with strong knowledge and understanding of the digital media landscape to join our team. The successful intern is one that is specifically looking to further their career in marketing and/or public outreach. We are a vibrant and passionate team who are very excited to share our refreshed community. Go to [tinyurl.com/bhijobs](https://tinyurl.com/bhijobs) to apply, get more information, and/or download the application!

**IT'S 9:00**  
**DO YOU KNOW**  
**WHERE YOUR**  
**KEYS ARE?**

LOCK IT AND  
POCKET THE KEYS



**We're Hiring!**

We have an opening for a full-time **Park Attendant** responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of our park facilities while providing courteous, prompt and knowledgeable customer service to the public.

If this sounds like you, go to [tinyurl.com/bhijobs](https://tinyurl.com/bhijobs) for more info and/or to apply.

**We Love Our Parks**



**Take your shot,  
Bay Harbor Islands!  
Get Vaccinated!  
Thursday, August 12  
2:30 - 4:30 PM  
in the Council Chambers!**

**Go to [tinyurl.com/bhiapp](https://tinyurl.com/bhiapp)  
to register!**




## Mosquito Season has Arrived

Miami-Dade Mosquito Control continues their every two-week seasonal larvicide treatments in Bay Harbor Islands. The truck-spraying will take place



between the hours of 2-5 a.m. on August 12 and 26. The treatment is strictly proactive and not in response to any immediate health threat. The larvicide used is an organic product not harmful to humans, pets, bees or aquatic areas. For your part, you should:

- Drain standing irrigation or rainwater and discard old items lying about that may store water.
- Use repellent on bare skin; DEET at 20 to 30 percent concentration works well for most people when used according to label directions – but don't apply on infants.
- Empty and clean birdbaths and outdoor pet water bowls once or twice weekly.
- Irrigate lawns and gardens to prevent water from standing for several days. Mow the lawn regularly.
- Report any infestations to Miami-Dade Mosquito Control by calling 311.
- Remember to Drain & Cover!

**For more information, go to [www.miamidade.gov/global/solidwaste/mosquito/home.page](https://www.miamidade.gov/global/solidwaste/mosquito/home.page)**



# BHI Police Department Hurricane Preparedness Tips

## PREPARING NOW WILL KEEP YOU SAFE

Bay Harbor Islands is surrounded by water. Oceanic storm surge and flooding is possible should a severe storm target our area. Now is the time to prepare. Yes, you hear that over and over, but that is because it's life saving advice.

Be ready to evacuate, should a mandatory evacuation be ordered. Pay attention to local guidance. And if you know that you will need Emergency Evacuation Assistance, call 3-1-1 and register for Miami-Dade County's Emergency and Evacuation Assistance Program (EEAP) before a storm is imminent. Evacuation shelters will be open, but they should only be used as a last resort. Have a plan in place to stay with friends or family outside the evacuation zone and don't forget to have a plan for your pets. Never leave them behind in a storm.

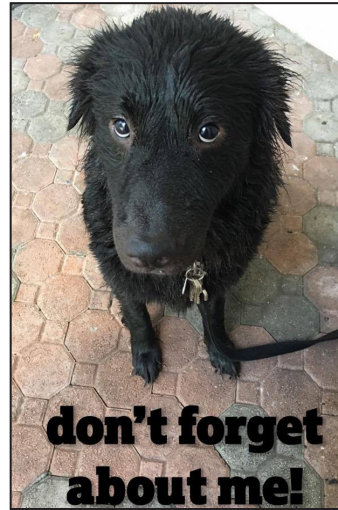
## COVID-19 AND 2021 HURRICANE SEASON

If you or your family members are not yet vaccinated but are planning to get a COVID-19 vaccine, do it before an evacuation order is given. Should you find yourself sheltering in close quarters with persons outside of your immediate family, you will be happy you did. The COVID-19 vaccine can protect you from the virus and severe illness. The last thing anyone wants is to be sick in the

midst of the chaos that a serious storm can create when medical aid may not be readily available.

## STOCK UP ON EMERGENCY SUPPLIES

Make a check list of what you will need. Be sure to remember emergency food, water and medical supplies. Have these on hand before a storm is on the horizon to ensure you get all the supplies you need. Include these items in your "go kit" along with necessary personal items, important documents, and emergency supplies.



If you have a pet, be sure to include food and water for them, a leash and collar, tags, their vaccine history and a recent photo in case you get separated. And don't forget masks and hand sanitizer!

This hurricane season presents us with unique challenges but being prepared can lessen the stress and effect of those challenges and keep you safe.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDS YOU

### DO BULK RIGHT!

Bulk trash is oversized waste that is too large to place in your trash container and is generally either household items, furniture or yard and tree debris. Contractor and construction debris, paint and other hazardous waste materials are NOT acceptable bulk waste. Building materials, fencing and siding, refuse wood, roofing materials, wooden pallets, hired-landscaper debris, demolition, pavement or driveway debris, chemicals and other such items are not considered residential bulk trash and will not be collected.

Glass is another HUGE no-no. Because a grapple truck is used for collecting bulk waste glass is naturally crushed



when grabbed by the grapple hook. If you wish to dispose of an appliance or piece of furniture with glass inserts or shelving, first remove the glass, place it in a heavy contractor's bag or wrap it in old cloth and carefully break it with a hammer. Then place the broken glass in your regular trash bin.

When putting out yard clippings, bag as much as possible and pile fronds and branches together and tie them in a bundle if possible. That will prevent them from being blown or washed into our storm water drains. And always place bulk trash at least 3 feet away from anything damageable.



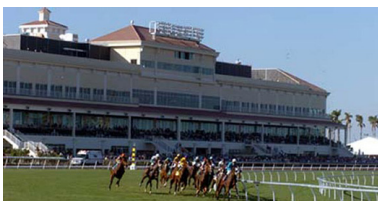
# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS COMMUNITY SERVICES

**REGISTER ONLINE at [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)**

**For more information, visit [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services](https://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services)  
or call the Morris N. Broad Community Center at (786) 646-9970**

## AUGUST SENIORS ON THE GO: GULFSTREAM PARK FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 2021

Bring your friends and join us for a day at Gulfstream Park, a vast entertainment destination with fun for everyone. In addition to thoroughbred racing, Gulfstream Park offers over 800 slot machines and a poker room with over 20 action tables. **The bus will leave at 9:30 a.m.** The cost for the trip is free. Bring your own money for purchases and food.



Masks and social distancing guidelines enforced at common areas. Residents only; proof of residency will be required to enter the bus. Residents may bring a guest but must register. Register online only at <https://secure.rec1.com/FL/bay-harbor-islands-fl/catalog>.

## SENIOR MATINEE: GRUMPIER OLD MEN FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 2021

Join us for a free viewing of this popular film at 1:30 p.m. at the Morris N. Broad Community Center. Please arrive early for seating.

Elderly, angling and contentious friends Max (Walter Matthau) and John (Jack Lemmon) back-burner their bickering when their kids get engaged, but fishing season opens a can of romantic worms as newcomer Maria (Sophia Loren) plans to turn their beloved bait shop into a restaurant. Botched matchmaking leads to some major romantic mix-ups, until an unexpected death in the family helps everyone realize that the most important thing in life is love.



## GAME DAY & SOCIAL WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4 AND 18

Join us at the Morris N. Broad Community Center on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month, from 10 a.m. to 12p.m. for conversation and board games of course! We have classics like Mahjong and Chess, Rummy and Checkers, we even have refreshments available.

## SHOPPING SHUTTLE DATES FOR RESIDENTS

Pick-up will be at 9:30 am at the Morris N. Broad Community Center on scheduled dates. Afterwards, residents will be dropped off at their homes.

The free Shopping Shuttle is exclusively for Town of Bay Harbor residents. Masks and social distancing are encouraged. Registration is preferred but not required. Email to [saugustin@bayharborislands-fl.gov](mailto:saugustin@bayharborislands-fl.gov) to register for your selection of the following trips:

- **Wednesday, August 4, 2021 to Costco**
- **Wednesday, August 18, 2021 to Whole Foods**

## AFTERCARE PROGRAMS

**RETURN ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2021  
AT THE MORRIS N. BROAD  
COMMUNITY CENTER**

**Visit our Community Services Page at  
[www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services](https://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services)**

## STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY

Join us for family Story Time each Thursday from 11–11:30 a.m. at the Bay Harbor Islands branch of the Miami-Dade County Library inside the Morris N. Broad Community Center. For more information, call the library at (786) 646-9961.



## YOUTH GAME TIME RETURNS

**Our Game Room is back opened starting  
August 14, 2021. Game Room Hours:  
Saturday & Sunday 12 noon to 5 p.m.**



## KIDS HEALTH AND SAFETY SERIES

The Morris Broad Community Center and Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital at Memorial Health Systems bring together parents, guardians and kids to learn from experts about children's health and safety. This series is held monthly virtual on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at noon. **For the Zoom link, visit [tinyurl.com/bhi-fun](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-fun)**



**Joe DiMaggio  
Children's Hospital**

## JOIN THE BOOK CLUB ON AUGUST 11

Join the Book Club at the Morris N. Broad Community Center on Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at 7 p.m. The book for discussion will be "The Spy and Traitor: The Greatest Espionage Story of the Cold War" by Ben Macintyre.

**BOOK  
CLUB**

## OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

**REGISTER ONLINE AT [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)**

**Masks and social distancing are recommended for adults and children over the age of two**

### TOT & YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Story Time in the Park** - At the Tot Lot on the first and third Friday of the month at 4 p.m. and at the 98th Street Park on the second and third Friday of the month at 4 p.m.

**Pee-Wee Soccer** - At the 98th Street Park on Sundays for children, ages 12 months to five years. Times vary by age. Classes are August 3 to September 23, 2021. The 8-week session is \$95 for residents.

**Kids Piano** - Ongoing for 8-weeks, one-hour sessions are on Wednesdays from 2:15 p.m. for ages 6 to 14, \$150. Six students maximum. Classes are September 8 to October 27, 2021.

### ADULT & SENIORS PROGRAMS

**Tai Chi in the Park** - At the 95th Street Park, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. \$40 for 8 weeks.

**Gentle Yoga in the Park** - At the 95th Street Park on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. \$40 for 8 weeks.

## Driver License Services at Community Center



Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles will provide driver license services to BHI residents on the second Friday of the month 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Morris N. Broad Community

Center (1175 95th Street). Appointments are required.

**GO TO [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register) and click on Town Events to make an appointment for Friday, August 13, 2021. You will need to create an account to register, if you have not already done so.**

The Mini-FLOW is a convenient method to renew a driver license, obtain a replacement driver license, change a name or address on a driver license, get an identification card, renew a vehicle registration, obtain a disabled parking placard or purchase a specialty license plate. Florida has new documentation requirements for residents renewing or obtaining a driver license or photo ID card. Visit [flhsmv.gov](https://flhsmv.gov) for a complete listing of documents needed and other information related to obtaining a driver license or photo ID card. Fees vary based on service. For more information, visit [flhsmv.gov](https://flhsmv.gov) or call (850) 617-2000.



## THE MORRIS N. BROAD COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAMS ARE BACK

**Visit our Community Services Page at  
[www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services](https://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services)**



**On Facebook?  
So are we!**

**Want to know what is happening at the Community Center? Like and follow [@BHICommunityServices](https://www.facebook.com/BHICommunityServices) on Facebook!**

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**Police: (305) 866-6242**

**Emergency: 911**

**[www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)**

## Upcoming Town Meetings

The Town Council welcomes your attendance and participation at meetings. All meetings, unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, are open to the public. To confirm all meeting dates and times, please contact the **Office of the Town Clerk at (305) 866-6241**.

- Planning & Zoning Board, Tuesday, August 3 at 7 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, August 10 at 7 p.m.
- Planning & Zoning Board, Tuesday, August 17 at 7 p.m.
- First Budget Hearing, Monday, Sept. 13 at 6 p.m.
- Second Budget Hearing, Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 6 p.m.

The following future tentative meeting dates are subject to change, therefore, close to the date, contact the Office of the Town Clerk or visit the Town's website at **[www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)**

## Future Tentative Meetings

Regular Council: Thursday, September 9, 2021  
Wednesday, October 13

Planning & Zoning Board: Tuesday, September 1

**Committee Meetings TBA**

**All meetings are subject to change**

## Highlights of the June 9, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

- Approval of a resolution requested by Council Member Leonard to designate June 19th "Juneteenth" as an official Town Holiday.
- Approval of a resolution requested by Council Member Leonard urging the Miami-Dade County Public School Board to allow the Town to designate a School Based Law Enforcement Officer at the Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 center for the 2021/2022 school year.
- Approval of a resolution amending the fee schedule for the Building Department's Activities and permits.
- Approval of a resolution authorizing the Town Manager to allocate and expend the American Rescue Plan Covid-19 Relief Funds of \$2,434,347.
- Approval to extend the Program Grant Agreement for Address Verification Plan between the Town and the School Board of Miami-Dade County for the 2021/2022 School Year.
- Approval of an Agreement between the Town of Bay Harbor Islands and Miami Shores for the usage by the residents of Miami Shore's Aquatic Facilities. Enclosed is a copy of the proposed agreement.
- Approval of an ordinance on second reading modifying the Kane Concourse setback requirements for ground level restaurants and certain weatherization.
- Approval of a contract award for Tennis Professional services to Caniza Tennis Instructors, Inc.

## Topic anticipated for discussion or possible action at the August 10, 2021 Council meeting

- Discussion and Possible Action with regards to the Planning and Zoning Board's scope and review process.